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Applicants : David Stern and Ann Marie Schmidt  
Serial No. : 08/905,709 Examiner: E. Lazar-Wesley  
Filing Date : August 5, 1997 Art Unit: 1646  
For : A METHOD TO PREVENT ACCELERATED  
ATHEROSCLEROSIS USING (sRAGE) SOLUBLE  
RECEPTOR FOR ADVANCED GLYCATION ENDPRODUCTS

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER  
TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES AND  
PETITION FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Final Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated June 24, 1999 finally rejecting claims 1-35 of the above-identified application.

An Amendment In Reply to the June 24, 1999 Final Office Action And Petition For A One-Month Extension of Time was filed on October 25, 1999 with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. Applicant hereby requests an additional two-month extension of time from October 24, 1999 to December 24, 1999. The fee for a an additional two-month extension of time for a small entity is THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY DOLLARS (\$380.00). Applicant has previously established small entity status. Accordingly, the subject application is pending today, December 24, 1999.

The required fee for filing this Notice of Appeal under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is ONE-HUNDRED AND FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS (\$150.00). A check is enclosed including the amount of \$150.00.

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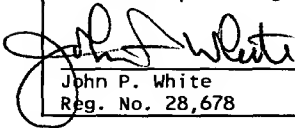
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Respectfully submitted, DEC 29 1999

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